

Docket No.: 50212-538

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Masakazu SHIGEHARA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4902

Application No.: 10/665,357 : Group Art Unit: 2874

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For: GAIN EQUALIZER AND OPTICAL AMPLIFICATION APPARATUS

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Mail Stop Request for Reconsideration Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Reconsideration of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 imposed in the Office Action dated October 15, 2004 solicited in light of the following Remarks.